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The Honorable Janet McCabe  
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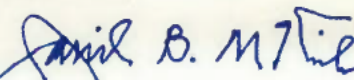
Dear Assistant Administrator McCabe:

As a follow up to our recent discussion during the June 22, 2016, House Subcommittee on Energy and Power hearing on the Renewable Fuel Standard (RFS), I am writing to accept your offer to work with you on a solution to the diesel disparity within the Renewable Volume Obligation (RVO). Specifically to address how small refiners, who produce more diesel than gasoline, are inherently disadvantaged by the RVO.

As you know ethanol cannot be blended into diesel fuel and biodiesel can only be blended at 2 to 5 percent, depending on the weather. However, the RVO imposes the same proportional ethanol RIN obligation on all refiners. Diesel rich refiners are then forced to spend millions of dollars on biodiesel RINs to comply with the RFS because they cannot separate enough RINs to meet their total obligation.

I look forward to working with both you and your staff at the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). Please contact Blake Deeley on my staff by phone 202-225-4172, or by email, [blake.deeley@mail.house.gov](mailto:blake.deeley@mail.house.gov), to coordinate a time that we can further our discussion.

Sincerely,



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